विश्वविद्यालय के लिए कितनी धनराशि उपलब्ध करवायी थी और क्या गत वर्ष गठित पांच सदस्यीय समिति ने अपनी रिपोर्ट प्रस्तुत कर दी है; और

(च) यदि हां, तो उसका ब्यौरा क्या है ?

मानव संसाधन विकास मंत्री (श्री अर्जुन सिंह) : (क) और (ख) प्रस्ताव सरकार के विचाराधीन है।

(ग) जी, नहीं ।

(घ) से (च) विश्वविद्यालय के कार्य तब परिभाषित किए जायेंगे जब उसे स्थापित करने का निर्णय लिया जाएगा । अंतरराष्ट्रीय हिन्दी विश्वविद्यालय की स्थापना के लिए मंत्रालय की सातवीं योजना में कोई परिव्यय नहीं रखा गया था । सरकार द्वारा स्थापित एक विशेषज्ञ समिति ने ऐसे एक विश्वविद्यालय की स्थापना के लिए 1-5-93 को अपनी रिपोर्ट में सिफारिश की है । रिपोर्ट सरकार के विचाराधीन है ।

Drought in Bihar

*139. SHRI S. S. AHLUWALIA: Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that several parts of Bihar have been continuously in the grip of drought for the last many years;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) how many Central teams have so far visited the drought hit areas of the State to assess the effect of drought therein since the drought began in the State and when the last Central Team visited the drought hit areas of the State;

(d) what are the details of the findings and recommendations of the latest Central team; and

(e) what is the quantum of Central assistance so far given to Bihar for the drought reliefs and whether Government considers its sufficient?

THE MINISTER OF AGRICULTURE (SHRI BALRAM JAKHAR): (a) to (e) Due to aberrant behaviour of the South-West monsoon, parts of Bihar often suffer from drought conditions of varying degrees. 54 blocks in six Districts of the State have been identified as drought-prone under the Drought Prone Area Programme. In recent years, the State experienced 6 major droughts in 1966-67, 1972-73, 1977-78, 1979-80, 1982-83 and 1992-93.

The system of deputing a team of officers from Central Government for assessing the damage as well as the requirements of relief and rehabilitation in the wake of natural calamities started from 1961-62. On the basis of records available, Central Teams have visited Bihar in 1974-75, 1979-80, 1980-81, 1982-83, 1983-84 and 1992-93, in the wake of drought.

The main recommendations of the Central Team which visited Bihar in October, 1992, were the following:—

(i) Advance release of funds from Calamity Relief Fund.

(ii) Provision of additional funds from various Central/Centrally-sponsored schemes like Jawahar Rozgar Yojana, Accelerated Rural Water Supply Programme, Agricultural Development Schemes, etc., subject to utilisation of available funds.

(iii) Enhanced allocation of foodgrains specifically for the drought affected areas.

Under the existing scheme of financing relief expenditure introduced with effect from 1-4-1990 on the basis of the recommendations of the IX Finance Commission, the State Government is required to undertake relief measures in the wake of natural calamities using the corpus of the Calamity Relief Fund (CRF) allotted to the State. On the basis of the recommendations of the Central

Team which visited Bihar in October, 1992, the Govt. of India released an amount of Rs. 19.6750 crores to the State Government as advance from the CRF apart from Rs. 75.00 crores from Jawahar Rozgar Yojana and Rs. 3.47 crores from Accelerated Rural Water Supply Programme. The Government of India also made additional allocation of wheat and rice specifically for the drought-affected areas.

Full-time lecturers for vocational courses

*140. SHRI PRAGADA KOTAIAH: Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether representations have been received requesting Governmtnt to permit appointment of full time lecturers in the vocational courses run by various colleges, instead of part-time lecturers; and

(b) if so, the decision taken in this matter?

THE MINISTER OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT (SHRI ARJUN SINGH): (a) A representation was received from Andhra Pradesh State Vocational Education Teachers Association in October 1992 which was sent to the State Govtrnment for consideration and action at their level.

(b) The Centrally Sponsored Scheme nf 'Vocationalisation of Secondary Education' does not provide for part-time teachers to become full time teachers. It is, therefore, for the State Government to take an appropriate decision on this representation.

Performance of farm universities

1047. SHRI KRISHAN LAL SHARMA: Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE be pleased to state:

(a) the names of the committee which have been set up by Government to evaluate the performance of the various farm universities in the country;

(b) when these committees were set up and whether any reports were submitted by each committee so far and expenditure incurred thereon separately; and

(c) the reaction of Government on the recommendations made by these Committees?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF NON-CONVENTIONAL ENERGY SOURCES AND THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE (SHRI S. KRISHNA KUMAR): (a) The Central Government/IGAR appointed an Agricultural University Review Committee (generally referred to as the Randhawa Committee) to evaluate the performance of various Agricultural Universities of the country.

(b) The Randhawa Committee was set up in January 1977 and its report was submitted in June, 1978. No separate establishment was set up for the Committee and the expenditure incurred was only on the T.A. and D.A. of the Committee Members.

(c) The Central Government/ICAR have accepted all the major recommendations of the committee and have implemented those pertaining to the Central Government. Further, the respective State Government's and the Agricultural Universities were requested to implement the recommendations concerning them.

केन्द्रीय बंजर भूमि अनुसंधान संस्थान में हुये घपलों से संबंधित केन्द्रीय जांच ब्यूरो का प्रतिवेदन

1048. श्री राम नरेश यादव : : क्या कृषि मंत्री 18 दिसम्बर, 1992 को राज्य सभा में अतरांकित प्रश्न–3824 के दिये गए उत्तर को देखेंगे और यह बताने की कृपा करेंगे कि :

(क) क्या केन्द्रीय जांच ब्यूरो ने "केन्द्रीय बंजर भूमि अनुसंधान संस्थान" के पाली केन्द्र में हुए करोड़ों रुपए के घपले से संबंधित अपना प्रतिवेदन सरकार को प्रस्तुत कर दिया है, यदि हां, तो इसका ब्यौरा क्या है; और